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REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN
AND
OTHER TOWN OFFICERS,
OF
CORNISH, N. H.

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE
Superintending School Committee,

For the year ending March 1st, 1881.

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L.S. To the inhabitants of the Town of Cornish in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said town, on Tuesday the eighth day of March 1881 at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects.

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2d. To choose a town clerk.
- 3d. To choose three selectmen, and all necessary town officers and agents for the ensuing year.
- 4th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year.
- 5th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to make and repair highways and bridges the ensuing year and determine whether the same shall be paid in money or labor.
- 6th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay existing claims against the town.
- 7th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay land damage, and straighten the highway, near Luman Mitchell's, as laid out by the selectmen on the petition of Orlando Powers and others.
- 8th. To see if the town will vote to dispense with the services of a Liquor Agent the ensuing year.
- 9th. To see if the town will vote to redistrict the town for school purposes and take any other action in regard to the matter deemed expedient.
- 10th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to repair the main road, leading from Cornish Flat to Claremont, to Claremont line.
- 11th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to repair the road leading from William Tandy's Grist Mill to Cornish bridge.
- 12th. To see if the town will vote to remunerate, and pay all such persons, who were liable to a draft, were drafted, furnished substitutes or paid their money in any way to be exempt from draft, during the late civil war, such sums of money as they respectively paid towards filling the quota of said town.
- 13th. To see if the town will vote to accept of the gift of the heirs of the late Obed Powers, of all their right and title to the old cemetery near George E. Sargent's.
- 14th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to fence the old cemetery near George W. Sargent's.
15. To hear the reports of officers, agents, auditors or committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto. Given under our hands and seal this nineteenth day of February 1881.

EDWARD O. DAY,	}	Selectmen of Cornish.
PHILANDER W. SMITH,		
BENJAMIN T. HARLOW.		

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen of the town of Cornish,

For the year ending March 1, 1881.

Inventory of the town, April 1, 1880.

309 Polls,.....	\$ 30,900
Real estate, resident and non-resident,	437,744
405 horses,.....	20,220
198 oxen,.....	9,930
663 cows,.....	14,306
546 other stock,.....	8,276
5408 sheep,	13,236
14 Hogs,.....	90
30 carriages,.....	1,958
4 owners of bank stock,	4,100
16 owners of stock in trade.....	3,040
99 owners of money at interest,.....	55,446
4 factories,.....	1,250
11 mills,.....	4,700
1 toll bridge,.....	10,000
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Total valuation of the town,	\$ 615,196

The rate of taxation on each one hundred dollars was \$ 1.02 in money \$ 0.30 in labor on highway, \$ 0.075 school house tax in Dist. No. 2, \$ 0.06 $\frac{3}{4}$ school house tax in Dist. No. 4, \$ 0.69 school house tax in Dist. No. 6.

Amount of Tax Assessed.

The amount of tax required to be assessed by law, by vote of the town, and by votes in school districts, was as follows:

For State tax,.....	\$ 1,360 00
“ county tax,.....	1,555 29
To defray town charges,.....	1,400 00
“ repair tomb,.....	400 00
“ build new road near Davis bridge,....	150 00
For support of schools,.....	1,190 00
Percentage, about $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.,.....	219 52
School house tax, Dist. No. 2,.....	30 00
Percentage,.....	36
School house tax, Dist. No. 4.....	15 00
Percentage,.....	21
School house tax District No. 6,.....	600 00
Percentage,.....	26 43
Dog tax,.....	71 00
Non-resident highway tax,.....	84 36
	<hr/> \$ 7,102 17

The amount of highway tax required to be assessed by vote of the town, to be paid in labor, was,.....	1,800 00
Percentage,.....	45 59

The Selectmen have received and paid into the treasury the following additional sums:

Of the County,

For the support of Catherine Chase,.....	\$ 105 50
“ support of Mrs. Emma Pope and her three children,.....	11 86
“ support of E. W. White,.....	4 31
“ “ Lysander Knight,.....	10 00
“ “ Mrs. Sarah Davis,.....	12 00
Of Charles W. Tyler, for tax of 1879, last year reported abated,.....	98
Of Trustee of Foss fund, for the support of the poor,.....	112 80
Of Mary B. Wright, for error in amount of tax on real estate for 1880,.....	6 63
Of the State, as interest on literary fund, ..	96 94
Of the State, as railroad tax,	188 65

Of the State, as savings bank tax,.....	620	35	
Of Edward Hurly for old bridge plank,....		50	
Of the town of Plainfield for support of two of Lucius Jordan's children,.....	15	14	1,185 66
			<hr/> \$ 8,287 83

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer as follow :

For Support of Schools,

District No. 1, Nathan Harris,.....	\$ 146	31	
" 2, Wm. E. Westgate,.....	86	61	
" 3, Charles Gilkey,.....	74	47	
" 4, Henry Walker,.....	48	37	
" 5, Geo. L. Cole,.....	63	73	
" 6, W. Dwight Spaulding,.....	200	06	
" 7, Geo. H. Ayers,.....	105	92	
" 8, Seth C. Deming,.....	136	41	
" 9, James F. Tasker,.....	70	67	
" 10, Benjamin S. Fletcher,.....	79	10	
" 11, William Tandy,.....	101	49	
" 12, David Squires,.....	20	46	
" 13, Hiram L. Burpee,.....	64	95	
" 14, Mrs. J. G. Rowell,.....	25	03	
" 16, Oliver Russ,.....	53	58	
" 14, <i>Claremont</i> , H. C. Freeman,.	9	84	
" 1, <i>Plainfield</i> , Henry Bryant,...	4	01	
			<hr/> \$ 1,291 01

For Support of County Paupers,

Catherine Chase,.....	\$ 105	50	
Mrs. Sarah Davis,.....	12	00	
Mrs. Emma Pope and her three children,..	11	86	
Elzi W. White,.....	4	31	
Lysander Knight,.....	10	00	
			<hr/> \$ 143 67

For Support of Town Paupers,

Arva Quimby,.....	\$ 66	20	
Alma Quimby,	66	20	
Mrs. Enoch Quimby,.....	59	72	
Mrs. Ellen Rickard,.....	12	00	

Arthur A. Rickard,.....	93 31	
Ellen Coburn,.....	45 13	
Francis Goward, for year ending May 5, 1881,	91 65	
For two of the Lucius Jordan children,....	15 14	
Tramp,	50	
	<hr/>	\$ 449 85

For Plank, Timber and Stone,

Jonathan C. Whitaker.....	\$ 8 01
R. M. Cole,	7 00
Henry Walker,.....	2 56
Lyman Fitch,.....	5 12
George W. Sargent.....	22 97
Ed. E. Johnson,.....	8 96
E. O. & H. M. Day,.....	29 56
Charles H. Read,.....	5 76
John Q. York,.....	1 25
Norman A. Deming,.....	8 10
Charles E. Jackson,.....	7 34
Freeman A. Johnson,.....	18 57
Abel W. Fairbanks,	7 00
Henry W. Deming,.....	4 96
Ed. E. Johnson.....	2 50
Orville B. Williams.....	10 50
Frank L. Johnson	1 50
Carlos F. Huggins.....	3 34
Elias S. Leavitt.....	3 15
Sylvester M. Bugbee.....	18 91
Edwin H. Smith.....	75
Benjamin T. Harlow	52
Dana N. Morgan	14 00
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	\$ 192 33

For Labor on Highways and Bridges,

Allen P. Messer,	\$ 13 75
Hiram D. Hilliard.....	5 30
James F. Tasker.....	10 00
Henry H. Tasker, building new highway near Davis bridge.....	76 00
Harrison Leslie	1 50
Sidney F. Judd	10 00
Lemuel Benway.....	3 50

Henry Walker.....	4 50
Lyman Fitch.....	1 00
Ed. E. Johnson.....	11 50
Norman A. Deming.....	3 50
Eben S. Deming.....	32 00
Thomas A. Allen.....	2 00
Charles E. Jackson.....	23 00
Edwin T. Ayers.....	1 75
Edward Bryant.....	2 72
Frank L. Johnson.....	2 50
Allen P. Messer.....	14 75
Hiram P. Raymond.....	1 91
Sylvester M. Bugbee.....	1 50
Edwin H. Smith.....	2 00
John Whitaker.....	3 87
William C. Smith.....	3 00
Charles D. Nevens.....	2 04
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	\$ 233 59

For Breaking Roads,

Ed. E. Johnson.....	\$ 10 00
George D. Kenyon.....	3 36
John Conlin.....	5 12
Allen P. Messer.....	23 00
Daniel Whitmore.....	15 00
William H. Whitmore.....	75
Henry Walker.....	2 50
Nathan K. Spaulding.....	5 30
Walter E. Judd.....	1 00
Lewes E. Weld.....	1 15
Charles H. Deming.....	4 00
Henry L. Fletcher.....	5 50
Almon E. Mace.....	2 50
Charles D. Nevens.....	6 50
Lemuel Benway.....	4 70
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	\$ 90 38

For Incidental Expenses,

Claremont Man'fg. Co., printing town reports,.....	\$ 30 00
Ira Colby, retaining fee,.....	10 00

Claremont Stationery Co., pamphlet laws and blank books,	10 35
E. O. & H. M. Day, removing from the old tomb, and burying the remains of six bodies,.....	8 50
George W. Hunt, making return of births and deaths	5 00
Chester Pike, land damage for new highway,	5 00
James F. Tasker, damage to wagon on highway,....	6 00
Ebben S. Deming, damage to wagon on highway,...	10 00
Estate of Milton Wyman, over tax,.....	2 93
Mrs. E. C. Barrows, entertainment of selectmen,....	5 00
County treasurer county tax,.....	1,555 29
Register of deeds, for copy of deed,.....	75
Roxana C. Bean, land damage for gravel bank,.....	50 00
William E. Westgate, part of school house tax, dist. No. 2,.....	5 00
Henry M. Day, surveying,.....	3 00
Mrs. Mary Hilliard, damage to wagon on highway, ..	1 50
Mrs. H. M. Weld, land damage, for gravel bank,....	20 00
J. M. Davidson. services as trustee of Foss fund....	10 00
Simeon M. Chase, damage to plough on highway....	1 00
E. P. Robinson, damage to wagon on highway.....	3 50
James F. Tasker, for work done, and material furnished, repairing tomb, hearse house, and building fence around the same	324 76
Henry Walker, school house tax, dis. No. 4.	15 00
State Treasurer, state tax.....	1,360 00
Samuel W. H. Clark, over tax.....	1 54
E. O. & H. M. Day, wood for town house.....	5 00
Edward O. Day, services as selectman, March 1880..	16 25
John Q. York, watering trough.....	2 00
Samuel Hutchinson, gravel for highway,.....	2 20
Amos Richardson, gravel for highway.....	1 20
William H. Sisson, services as town clerk.....	1 25
William H. Sisson, repairing trunk.....	2 75
Claremont National bank for check for balance of state tax	75
Henry Gould, school house tax, Dist. No. 6.	600 00
George L. Deming, cleaning and repairing	
Town House,	6 25
William D. Lear, watering trough,	3 00
Abel W. Fairbanks, watering trough,.....	3 00
John W. Chaffin, highway tax paid twice 1879.....	1 46
Stephen A. Tracy, services as supervisor,	6 00
Stephen A. Tracy, services as auditor, March 1880, ..	3 00
Henry A. Weld, damage to sled on highway,.....	2 50

George L. Deming, services as supervisor,	6 00
Amon Royce, watering trough,	2 00
Chester Pike, watering trough,	2 00
William Balloch, services as supervisor,	6 00
Marshall Harlow, entertainment of selectmen and ... supervisors	14 00
Marshall Harlow, watering trough,	3 00
Albert Weld, services with hearse,	30 00
Elias S. Leavitt, services as selectman March, 1880..	3 00
Emily Leavitt, school book furnished,	70
Orlando Powers, services as auditor, March, 1880....	3 00
Edwin H. Smith, watering trough,	2 00
Edwin H. Smith, gravel for highway,	1 00
E. D. Baker, attorney fees,	2 00
James M. Davidson, highway tax paid in labor	48 70
Alfred P. Carpenter, over tax,	98
Samuel M. Green notifying three sets of jurors,	6 00
Benjamin K. Chase, services as supervisor,	6 00
Albert E. Wellman, services as supervisor,	5 00
Charles B. Comings, services as supervisor,	5 00
Charles Tyler, watering trough,	2 00
William C. Smith, damage to horse on highway	15 00
Charles Tyler, discount on auction bill,	4 75
Chauncey P. Jenney, services as selectman,	
March, 1880,	1 50
William H. Harlow, watering trough,	2 00
Rosilla Ripley, watering trough,	1 00
Edward O. Day, bounties paid for hawks,	80
Edward O. Day, postage, stationery, and express bills	3 79
Edward O. Day, expenses at Newport three times, and Claremont four times,	8 50
E. O. & H. M. Day, entertainment of selectmen and auditors	22 00
Fred Marvin, entertainment of selectmen,	12 50
George E. Hilliard, water trough,	2 00
Rufus Dunsmore, over tax,	2 00
John H. Whitaker, over tax,	102
Charles Fletcher, over tax,	66
Murry Smith, over tax,	1 02
Hiram P. Grandy, printing tax notices,	2 00
Elijah D. Austin, balance of school house tax, district No. 2,	25 00

\$ 4,354 65

For Sheep Killed by Dogs.

William C. Hart.....	\$ 5 50
Ed E. Johnson	7 00
Edward Bryant	12 00
Norman A. Deming.....	4 00
Leonard D. Spaulding.....	2 00
Frank H. Weld	16 00
J. W. Hammond	12 75
Freeman A. Johnson.....	1 75
William Balloch	9 00
George C. Dean.....	2 50
Stephen B. Deming.....	4 50
Daniel Farnsworth.....	6 00
J. Gilman Rowell.....	7 00
William E. Chadborn	6 00
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	95 25

For Abatements of Taxes

asked for by James M. Davidson Collector,

On tax book of 1879,

William Badger.....	\$ 2 08
Frank A. Haven	98
Methodist Episcopal Society.....	1 28
John B. Small	1 18
Andrew J. Blodgett	1 60
Christopher C. Forehand	1 18
Est. of James Wilder	1 96
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	10 26

On tax book of 1880,

Mary Burbank	3 74
Judith Carter.....	1 02
Sarah D. Chase	1 02
Hiram D. Hilliard	2 02
Serena Huggins.....	51
Horace F. Kimball	1 02
Flora M. Kimball.....	22
Estate of Ebenezer Mitchell.....	2 57
Rhoda Spaulding.....	1 02
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	13 14

For Services of Town Officers.

Emily Leavitt, superintending school committee....	\$ 50 00
Samuel M. Green, town clerk.....	30 00
Hiram A. Day, treasurer.....	30 00
James M. Davidson, collector.....	65 00
Benjamin T. Harlow, selectman.....	47 25
Philander W. Smith, selectman.....	54 75
Edward O. Day, selectman.....	115 75
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	392 75

Recapitulation.

Total amount received,	\$ 8,287 83
Amount of orders drawn.	
For support of schools.....	\$ 1,291 01
" " County paupers.....	143 67
" " Town ".....	449 85
Plank, timber and stone.....	192 33
Labor on highways and bridges....	233 59
Breaking roads.....	90 38
Incidental expenses.....	4,354 65
Sheep killed by dogs.....	95 25
Taxes abated, 1879.....	10 26
" " 1880.....	13 14
Town Officers' services.....	392 75
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	7,266 88
Leaving a balance of	<hr/>
	\$ 1,020 95

Orders outstanding against the Town.

1877, Dec. 29.	No. 114.	School Fund,	\$ 470 87
1880, Nov. 26.	" 68.	William C. Hart,	5 50
" " "	" 71.	Ed. E. Johnson,	7 00
" " "	" 72.	Edward Bryant,	12 00
" " 27.	" 84.	Norman A. Deming,	4 00
1881, Feb. 24.	" 121.	Leonard D. Spaulding,	2 00
" " "	" 122.	Frank H. Weld,	16 00
" " "	" 124.	J. W. Hammond,	12 00

1881, Feb. 24.	No. 133.	Freeman A. Johnson,	1 75
" " "	" 139.	William Balloch,	9 00
" " 25.	" 149.	George C. Dean,	2 50
" " " "	" 153.	Stephen B. Deming,	4 50
" " " "	" 160.	Daniel Farnsworth,	6 00
" " 26.	" 201.	J. Gilman Rowell,	7 00
" " " "	" 205.	William E. Chadborn,	6 00
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			\$ 566 12

The Liabilities of the town are as follow.

Due on outstanding orders,.....	\$ 566 12
Due school district No. 14.....	361 85
" " " 15.....	15 86
" " " 7.....	11 26
Total of liabilities of the town,	<hr/> \$ 955 09

The assets of the town are as follow :

Ethan Walker's note and interest,.....	\$ 24 30
Taxes uncollected on tax book of 1879.....	13 87
" " " 1880.....	920 60
Cash in Treasurer's hands.....	768 65
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	\$ 1727 42
Leaving balance in favor of the town of.....	\$ 772 33

The selectmen respectfully recommend the town to raise for the ensuing year, in addition to the amount required by law, the following sums,

To defray town charges,	\$ 1,600 00
To pay land damage, and straighten highway, as laid out, by the selectmen, near Luman Mitchell's,	200 00
For repairing highways and bridges,	1,800 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

EDWARD O. DAY,	}	Selectmen of Cornish.
PHILANDER W. SMITH,		
BENJAMIN T. HARLOW,		

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

1880.

March 12, Received of Lemuel Martindale former Treasurer ;	
Jonas Hastings' note, balance of principal due.....	\$ 1,945 13
Freeman A. Johnson's note.....	1,000 00
Ethan Walker's note.....	19 79
Auction bill against Charles Tyler.....	8 75
Cash	272 06
Received of Selectmen tax rec'd of C. W. Tyler.....	98
" " Cash received of the county for the support of county paupers.....	143 67
Received of the Selectmen cash received of the state for Railroad Tax.....	188 65
Received of Selectmen Interest on Literary Fund....	96 94
" " Savings Bank Tax.....	620 35
" " Cash rec'd of the Trustee of the Foss Fund, for the support of the poor.....	112 80
Received of Selectmen cash rec'd of Mary B. Wright, for error in amount of tax on real estate for 1880.	6 63
Rec'd of the Selectmen cash rec'd of the town of Plain- field for support of two of Lucius Jordan's children	15 14
Rec'd of Selectmen cash received of Edward Hurley for old plank.....	50
Received of Freeman A. Johnson interest on note....	76 83
" the interest on the Jonas Hastings note.....	688 76
" " " School Fund.....	28 25
Rec. James M. Davidson, collector, int. on taxes 1879	21 35
" " " " 1880	10 28
" " " taxes 1879	676 88
" " " " 1880	6,181 57
Total.....	\$ 12,115 31

Disbursements.

Paid as principal on new orders.....	\$7,171 63
" " old orders.....	3,984 76
" interest on old orders.....	170 48
Balance in treasurer's hands, as follows:	
Ethan Walker's note.....	19 79
Cash,	768 65
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	\$ 12,115 31

School Fund.

Amount of Funds in hands of Treasurer,..... \$470 87

Dog Fund.

Received of James M. Davidson collector, taxes assessed
on dogs,.....\$ 71 00
Orders drawn for damage done by dogs,..... 95 25
Balance against dogs,..... 24 25
Orders payable first day of April, 1881, at the rate of 74½ per
cent.

Which is respectfully submitted,

HIRAM A. DAY, Treasurer.

Jacob Foss Legacy Trustee's Report.

Sept. 16, 1866, Received of the executors of the will of
Jacob Foss, late of Charlestown, Mass., deceased,.\$2,820 00
Received the interest on said legacy for the year
ending Sept. 14, 1880,..... 169 20
Sept., 1880, Paid the Selectmen of Cornish to be appro-
priated for the support of the poor of said town,... 112 80
Balance interest to be appropriated for flags, and
fixtures and for putting up flags,..... 56 40
Interest not appropriated last year,..... 1 68
Jan, 7, 1880, Paid R. M. Yate & Co., Boston, Mass, for
flag as per receipt,..... 33 85
Paid Boynton Bros., for flag rope, 3 28
Paid S. A. Tracy, putting up, and repairing flag, 1 50
Paid for putting up flag and for personal services,..... 5 00

Which is respectfully submitted,

J. M. DAVIDSON, Trustee.

We the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Cornish, have
examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer
and Trustee of the Foss fund, and find the same correct with
proper vouchers.

STEPHEN A. TRACY, }
FRANK H. WELD, } Auditors.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee.

To the Citizens of the town of Cornish your Committee submits the following report respecting the condition of your schools.

The larger number of our schools the past year will, we think, compare favorably with those previously taught, yet in some there was not a marked improvement over last year, but this was due to causes over which neither teachers nor scholars had any control. During the fall terms an epidemic (measles) prevailed to a considerable extent so that in district No. 6. after a session of five weeks, it was deemed advisable to close the school, and in one or two others there were, from the same cause, so many absences that there was not that interest awakened that doubtless otherwise would have been. Death too, invaded our ranks, taking one, two and three from our number, thus bringing sorrow to the hearts of parents and casting sadness and gloom over teachers and classmates. While we are glad to observe improvement in many directions in our schools, still they are not as efficient as they should be, and in order to make them of a higher grade parents and friends must interest themselves more. Do not shirk the responsibility and lay it upon the committee, the teacher, or that other indefinite person, the district, but take hold of the matter yourselves, see that your children are in school every day and at the proper hours, talk with them about their studies, let them feel that their work, interests you, and, in a short time, you will see a radical change: it costs time and labor, but will it not be well invested?

Teachers too must be more keenly alive to their duties. They should not only have a thorough knowledge of the branches they are required to teach, but they should have some acquaintance with that other branch, much more important than books, self knowledge, remembering that the influence they exert over, the impression they make upon the minds of their pupils is not limited to the short time they are associated as teacher and scholar, but extends on through the ages. Teach the pupil to consider their school a little republic, in which all have a common interest that all wholesome laws; must

be obeyed, not only for their individual good, but for the welfare of the whole; and where can obedience to law be better taught than in our public schools. Impress upon their minds the necessity of courtesy in their intercourse with each other. Good manners is a passport to favor with all men. Ill breeding is a sin against good morals, as well as a breach of social law; and, while striving to educate the intellect remember the mind and heart need culture also. Teach them to despise vice and wrong wherever found, make them feel that virtue and truth will in the end prevail; keep constantly before them the fact that what the future needs is true men and women, who not only do honor to themselves but are blessings to the community in which they dwell.

There has been in district No. 6. a new school building erected during the past year—large and commodious, with two rooms, one of which is very handsomely furnished, making it not only the best school building in town, but one of the best in the county.

In taking leave of the schools allow me to extend thanks to citizens, teachers and scholars for the uniform kindness and courtesy shown me at all times and in all places.

No. 1. (*Below the Bridge.*) SUMMER.—The school was taught during the term by Miss Nellie Cross, with good success. FALL TERM—Miss Fannie Roberts of Claremont. This was a short term and I visited it only once, but it appeared well. Miss R. will evidently be a successful teacher. WINTER—Mr. Sumner Dunsmore. The school was quite small and there did not seem to be much interest.

No. 2. (*Above the Bridge.*) SUMMER—Miss Etta Hart. This was her second term of school—a great improvement on her first term but a little more animation was needed on the part of the teacher. WINTER—Miss Hattie Child. Her school appeared well, and I think she gave good satisfaction.

No. 3. (*Tracy.*) SUMMER—Miss Lucy Westgate. Miss W. stands in the front rank as teacher. She gives her whole time to her school. A thorough scholar herself, she requires exactness on the part of her pupils, and in whatever school this teacher is found be sure it will be a success. WINTER.—Miss Ida Williams. This was her second term of teaching, but she has many qualifications for a successful teacher. Study and experience will place her among the first.

No. 4. (*Dingleton.*) ONE TERM—Miss Nellie Cross. Her school appeared well when I visited it, and I think, she gave general satisfaction.

No. 5. (*Johnson.*) SUMMER—Emily Leavitt. FALL—Mr. Lewis Chapman. This was his first term, but he proved himself not a novice in the method of imparting instruction. Being thorough and practical in explanation, he will make a good teacher.

No. 6. (*Flat.*) SUMMER—Miss Emma Chapman. This teacher is too well and favorably known to need commendation from me; her schools are always successful. She commenced a fall term, but closed at the end of five weeks, on account of sickness. WINTER—Miss Lucy Westgate. Very successful.

No. 7. (*Center.*) SUMMER—Miss Anna Bryant, a teacher of large experience and also too well known as a teacher to require comment or encomium respecting her ability to teach. But, unfortunately she had to close at the end of seven weeks, on account of sickness in the district. FALL—Miss Lizzie Clark. Her school made fair improvement, and she gave, I think, good satisfaction.

No. 8. (*Goward.*) SUMMER—Miss Nellie Hilliard. This term of school was somewhat broken, as the teacher was obliged to be absent some two weeks, being ill. Still, at the close, the school appeared very well, with fair improvement. WINTER—Mr. George Deming. This was one of our best schools—every thing in order and up to the mark. Too much good cannot be said of such schools as this.

No. 9. (*Town House.*) SUMMER—Miss Lizzie Jackson. I visited this school only at its commencement, but, from the reports coming to me, I think she had a good school. WINTER—Miss Mary Marvin of Claremont. The school had interruptions from sickness, and finally it was nearly broken up, but Miss Marvin taught very correctly and well. She was thorough, and if all could have attended it would have been a very successful school.

No. 10. (*Edminster.*) Two terms taught by Miss Jennie Jackson, Miss J. has taught this school several terms and always with success. Her pleasant manners at once secure the good will of her pupils.

No. 11. (*City.*) Both terms in charge of Mrs. Sadie Putney. Good improvement was made each term.

No. 12. (*Poppysquash.*) ONE TERM—Miss Ella Walker of Croydon—a good teacher.

No. 13. (*Lyman Fitch.*) Two terms, Miss Luella Freeman, teacher. The discipline was good, and fair improvement was made, for so short terms.

No. 14. (*Hemp-yard.*) ONE TERM. Miss Anna Swain. This school has only three scholars, but the teacher did well, I think. It was only visited once.

No. 15. (*Root.*) No. School.

No. 16. (*Texas.*) TWO TERMS. Miss Hattie Child teacher. Miss C. was very successful in this school. There was good improvement in each branch taught. Her reading classes did remarkably well.

EMILY LEAVITT, S. S. C.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The name denotes that the pupil attended one term without being absent. The † shows that the pupil attended through the year.

Fred Weld†, Grace S. Chadborn†, Frank Harris, Florence E. Harris, Vernon Ayers, Arva Quimby†, Earnest Quimby, Mabel Kenyon†, Martin Kenyon†, Edmund Mason, Nellie Richardson, Minnie L. Goward, Fred Butman, Amos Chase, Charlie Weld, Ivan Weld, Perry Burr, Charles S. Goward, Minnie Taskert†, Minnie E. Freeman†, Ada M. Weld†, Chester A. Fairbanks†, Bertie G. Bugbee, Sybil G. Lear, Arthur Penniman, Charlie Lear, Albert Sawyer,† Frank H. Tandy†, Charlie Ellis, Luette E. Sargent, Mattie A. Ellis, Eddie G. Wright, Lizzie Huntington, Lillian Kelley, Hattie M. Kelley, Nellie A. Huntington†, Ella York†, Ida York, Addie York, Annie Hilliard, Orland Fitch, Arthur Fitch†, Ida Stearns, Fred Sturtevant, J. Hilliard, Emma Rowell, Lizzie Chadborn†, Emily Tracy†, Charlie Tracy, Kate Reed, Hattie Reed, Western Thrasher, Evelyn Tracy†, Carlton Thrasher, George Eastman, Freddie Eastman, Mabel Comings, Ida Child, Lilla Young, Eddie Young, Emma Johnson, Florence Carroll, Morice Carroll, Eva Rowson, George Sisson, Edwin Child, Bertie Cole, Frank Cole.

